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INTRODUCTION OF NEW EXAMINATION SYSTEM
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has proposed to introduce new pattern of questions for CBSE class-X examination in the coming year;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether there are reports from experts on the assessment and evaluation process also; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M.A.A. FATMI)

(a): Yes sir.

(b): Keeping in view the National Curriculum Framework, 2005, Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE) has proposed the following for Class X Board Examination 2008:

i) Increase the number of very short type question in Science, Social Science and Mathematics.
ii) Introduction of questions in new formats to include diagram/illustration based questions, data based questions, skill based questions, context-based questions and application-oriented questions.
iii) Inclusion of questions on assessment of higher order thinking skills of learners.

(c) & (d) : The National Focus Group on Examination Reforms, constituted by National Council of Educational Research and Training (NCERT), had suggested major changes in the existing examination pattern with special emphasis on inclusion of objective type questions, and questions related to assessment of higher mental ability of learners like reasoning, problem solving, creative thinking and logical thinking.